

1 be incorporated into the foam. A major advantage lies in the ease of site removal and dressing
2 disposal by simple washing and flushing procedures.

3 ***CLAIMS***

4 We claim:

- 5 1. (Original) A biodegradable hydrophilic starch polymer dressing for wound
6 treatment.
- 7 2. (Currently amended) A dressing in Claim 1 wherein the starch polymer is
8 dominantly comprised of the amylose form of the [molecule] polymer.
- 9 3. (Currently amended) A dressing in Claim 1 in which the hydrophilic nature is
10 [optimally] controlled by the addition of biodegradable polyesters.
- 11 4. (Original) A dressing in Claim 1 which serves a vehicle of delivery of therapeutic
12 agents, appropriate chemicals and bio-molecules
- 13 5. (Original) A starch polymer that can be administered to wound sites as a
14 preformed gel.